

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 9

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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January 23, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.



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Whereas, various members of the General Assembly and our congressman have met in Cedar Lake and have heard presentations from members of the Cedar Lake Enhancement Association, members of the Cedar Lake Town Council and the Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce;

Whereas, these local citizens informed their elected representatives of the vital importance of the Cedar Lake area to the tourism industry of Indiana;

Whereas, the citizens warned that the siltation problem affecting Cedar Lake, if not addressed vigorously, will severely harm Indiana tourism;

Whereas, the lakes of this state are worthy of protection for the future enjoyment of our citizens; and

Whereas, the Cedar Lake Enhancement Association, Incorporated, has studied the siltation problem, and has completed the first stage of the shoreline stabilization project, funded by a "329 grant" from IDEM;

Whereas, the second stage of the project, stabilization of



the rest of the banks on Sleepy Hollow Ditch is currently in progress;

Whereas, the preliminary restoration was funded solely by the Association and they have received a grant from the Lake and River Enhancement Division of IDEM to design structures to trap sediment and thereby enhance the quality of the water entering Cedar Lake;

Whereas, the Association has begun the final phases of the \$8,000,000 project and has requested \$5,000,000 from the Corps of Engineers for the construction stage, the final stage, of the enhancement project; and

Whereas, residents of Cedar Lake, through the Cedar Lake Enhancement Association, have studied the siltation problem and devised sensible plans to resolve it through dredging and the prevention of future siltation: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

1 SECTION 1. That we urge the Indiana General Assembly to
2 recommend the appropriation of funds for the resolution of the siltation
3 problem affecting Cedar Lake in the amount of \$3,000,000 reflecting
4 a 35% cost match by Cedar Lake for the final construction stage of the
5 project.

6 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
7 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Natural
8 Resources and the Cedar Lake Enhancement Association.

